Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Withdrawn) A method for producing a compound which is for the production of a compound of the formula (I) defined in claim 1, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutical acceptable salt thereof, represented by the following formula:

(wherein D and n have the same meanings as defined in claim 1, M_1 and M_2 may be the same or different and each represent an oxygen atom or a sulfur atom, and P and P' may be the same or different and each represent a hydroxyl protecting group);

comprising reacting a compound represented by the following formula:

(wherein P and P' have the same meanings as defined above) with a compound represented by the following formula:

(wherein D, n, M₁ and M₂ have the same meanings as defined above).

- 3-5 (Canceled)
- 6. (Withdrawn) A compound which is for the production of a compound of formula
 (I) as defined in Claim 1, a production of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, represented by the following formula:

(wherein P and P' may be the same or different and each represent a hydroxyl protecting group).

- 7-11 (Canceled)
- 12. (New) A compound, a prodrug thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, which compound is selected from a group consisting of:

Compound 15

Compound 16

Compound 17

Compound 20

Compound 21

Compound 22

Compound 24

Compound 25

Compound 27

Compound 28

Compound 29

Compound 30

Compound 31

Compound 32 (diastereomer mixture)

Compound 33

Compound 35 (diastereomer mixture)

Compound 36

Compound 37

Compound 38

Compound 41

Compound 42

Compound 44

Compound 45

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Compound 105

Compound 106

Compound 108

Compound 109

Compound 110

Compound 111

- 13. (New) A method for treating an infectious disease caused by hepatitis C virus comprising administering to a subject in need thereof a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 12, a prodrug thereof, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 14. (New) The method according to claim 13, wherein the infectious disease caused by hepatitis C virus is hepatitis C, cirrhosis, liver fibrosis or liver cancer.